

On page 1, line 24, delete "essentially".

On page 1, line 25, delete "essentially".

On page 1, line 27, delete "necessary".

On page 2, line 27, before "invention" insert --present--.

On page 3, delete lines 11-29 and in their place insert:

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--Brief Description Of The Drawings

Figure 1a shows a diagrammatic side view of a rain sensor according to the present invention.

Figure 1b shows a diagrammatic plan view of the rain sensor of Figure 1a.

Figure 2 shows a diagrammatic section of the rain sensor according to the present invention in an exploded view.

Figure 3 shows a light conducting element in a perspective view.

Detailed Description--

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IN THE CLAIMS:

On page 7, line 1, delete "Patent Claims", and insert:

--What Is Claimed Is:--

Please cancel original claims 1-19, without prejudice, and enter the following new claims.

20. (New) A rain sensor arranged with respect to a measuring distance in which is arranged a windshield, comprising:

    a housing including a light conducting element forming a cover of the housing; and